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DRAFT LETTER to—

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~~*Return to Mr.*~~

~~*Copy for*~~

Reminder on M/15689 Cancelled

Examined in Registry

MS to Sgn

INDIA OFFICE,

15 FEB. 1908

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 7 Feb. 08, No. C.C. 4064, I am directed to ~~inform you that~~ request that the amount due ~~for~~ ~~money~~ from Condr. F. R. R. Ricketts, S.T.C., on account of the messing of his family may be recovered from him through the Resident Transport Officer at Bombay.

(Sd.) O M CREAGH,
Lieut. General,
Military Secretary.

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Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to—
The Director of Transports,
Admiralty,
London, S.W.,
and the following number quoted
~~T. 190~~.

C.C. 4064.

Mr Shubb 9/11

Sr. west out
about 4/2

Admiralty,
7th February, 1908.

Sir,

With reference to your letter of the 4th instant, M.15689, I have the honour to acquaint you, for the information of the Secretary of State for India in Council that the cost of the Messing of the Wife and Child of Conductor F. R. R. Ricketts, Supply and Transport Corps, on the "Assaye" - Outwards - November 1907, was £4:2:6, as shown in the margin, and to request that I may be informed whether this Department shall ask the Resident Transport Officer at Bombay to recover the amount from Conductor Ricketts in India.

Wife . . 6/27 Nov: 1907 = 22 days @ 2/6 = £2:15:0
Child (4 years) " " = 22 " @ 1/3 = 1:7:6
£ 4:2:6

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8 FEB. 1908
INDIA OFFICE.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Director of Transports.

The
Under Secretary of State,
India Office,
S.W.

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Reference Paper. **Military Department.**

Referred to The Accountant General. The 3rd Feb. 1908.

Please furnish a Receivable Order for £15 on account of his passage to India in the H.W. Assaye 6/11/07. A. Seabrooke

Receivable order herewith.

Walter Badock

4th February 1908.

AUDITO
Noted .... H.A.C. f. 59 W.O. Bk 200 S.M.G. 25.2.08

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Reminder on 1 ~~March~~ noted

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M.S. to Sign

INDIA OFFICE,

4 FEB. 1908

Sir,

~~In reply to your letter of the~~ I am directed to inform you that the cost (£15) of passage of the warrant officer named below is being recovered by this Office from the Crown Agents to the Colonies:—

"Assaye" outwards 6 Nov. 07

Condr. F. R. R. Ricketts. S. T. C.

Condr. Ricketts' family were not entitled to passage & the cost of their messing will be recovered upon receipt from you of information as to the sum due.

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(Sd) O. M. CREAGH,
Lieut. General,
Military Secretary.

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The Crown Agents to the Colonies
Whitehall Gardens,
S.W.

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~~Reminder on~~

Examined in Registry

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2 drafts & reference

INDIA OFFICE,

4 FEB. 1908

Sir,

With ref: ~~In reply~~ to your letter of the 4 Nov. 07, No. P/N. Nigeria 7/1, I am directed to inform you that the cost of passage to India of Condr. F. R. R. Ricketts S.T.C., by the Transport "Assaye," 6 Nov. 07, was £15, and to forward a Receivable Order to enable you to pay that sum to the credit of the S. of S. in C. of I.

J.A.S.
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(SD) O.M. CREAGH,
Lieut. General,
Military Secretary.

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Return to ~~Mr Phibbs~~

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EXTRACT

MILITARY DESPATCH TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

No. 198 para. 2

Dated 29th November 1907.

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2. Conductor F. R. R. Ricketts, Supply and Transport Corps, sailed for India on 6th November 1907, in the transport "Assaye," and was paid in this country up to the 31st October 1907. He is entitled to pay at Rs. 180 a month, plus exchange compensation allowance, during the period of the voyage, and I request that this may be issued to him in India. His pay for the period from 1st November 1907 to the day before his arrival in India is due for recovery from the Crown Agents to the Colonies, and I request that the necessary steps may be taken for adjustment.

M 15,689.

[*In continuation of paragraph* 7 *of my Military Despatch, No.* 156, *dated* 20*th September* 1907.]

(Form 5.)

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ALL COMMUNICATIONS
TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
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DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.

TEL. ADD. "CROWN, LONDON."

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WHITEHALL GARDENS,
LONDON, S.W.

7th November 1907

Sir,

With reference to the Military Secretary's letter M.15281 of the 2nd instant concerning the pay of Mr F.R.R. Ricketts, Supply and Transport Corps, I have the honour to inform you that we have been unable to effect the payment referred to and to request that you will ask the Government of India to issue the balance of his November salary to Mr Ricketts on his arrival at Bombay.

2. As stated in our letter of the 16th of October Mr Ricketts has received salary from us at Rs180 a month to the 31st of October inclusive.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant

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7 NOV 1907
INDIA OFFICE

for Crown Agents

The Under Secretary of State
&c &c &c
India Office

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DRAFT LETTER to—

The Crown Agents for
the Colonies
Whitehall Gardens.
S.W.

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Return to Mr.

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Noted ....

INDIA OFFICE,

2 NOV. 1907

Sir.

With reference ~~In reply~~ to your letter of the 16 Oct. 07 No. P./N. Nigeria I am directed to inform you that Condr. J. R. R. 7/11 Ricketts, S.T.C., has asked ~~applied~~ ~~that~~ ~~for~~ his pay for the period of the voyage to India from 1st Nov. 07, may be issued to him in this country, and to suggest that his request may be complied with. It is the invariable custom to issue advances of pay in this manner to Warrant Officers and others who are proceeding to India, and as the pay is due from Colonial funds it will save inconvenience if

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if it is issued by you direct.

The amount due is at the rate of ~~Rs. 180~~ £12.15/- a month for the period 1st to 27th Nov., ~~i.e., at 1/5 the Rupee~~, ~~£12.15/- a month~~.

(S'D) O M CREAGH,
Lieut. General,
Military Secretary.

OMC
2-11-07

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Reference Paper. Military Department.

Referred to The Accountant General. The 30 Oct. 1907.

Please issue pay at the rate of Rs. 180 a month, with Exchange Compensation Allowance, to Condr. F. R. R. Ricketts for the period 1 Novr to 27 Novr. 07. with a Last Pay Certificate.

The sum is due for recovery from the Crown Agents to the Colonies.

O'M Creagh

I think the payment in advance asked for by Condr. Ricketts, if admitted, should be made by the Crown Agents direct.

Any risk, however small should be taken by the Department ultimately liable for the pay.

J. G. Scott.

31st. Oct. 1907

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To
The Under Sec. of State
India Office

Sir,

The Crown Agents to the Colonies have informed me the balance of pay due me will be paid by the India Office on my arrival in India, — would you kindly authorize its payment prior to my embarkation & furnish a L.P. certificate

I am Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
J. R. Rickett
S.T.C. Cond.

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To

The Under Secretary of State for India, Whitehall S.W.

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your N 14657 1907.

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10 a.m.
23 OCT. 1907
INDIA OFFICE.

I am.

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

J.R.H. Ricketts Condr.

S&T Corps.

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The U.S. of S.,
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~~*Return to Mr.*~~

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Examined in Registry H.

Draft Paper

INDIA OFFICE,

29 OCT. 1907

Sir,

~~In reply to your letter of the~~ I am directed to ~~inform you that~~ acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21 Oct. 07 No. P/2. Nigeria. 711, the contents of which are noted.

With reference to this Office letter of 11 Oct. 07 No. M13922, I am directed to state that the date from which pay at Indian rates will be issued to Condr. Ricketts and afterwards recovered from the Crown Agents is 1st Novr. 07.

(S'D) O M CREAGH,
Lieut. General,
Military Secretary.

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TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
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THE ABOVE REFERENCE AND THE
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.

TEL. ADD. "CROWN, LONDON."

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WHITEHALL GARDENS,
LONDON, S.W.

21st October 1907

Sir,

With reference to our letter of the 16th of October on the subject of the salary of Mr F.R.R.Ricketts of the Indian Supply and Transport Corps I have the honour to request that you will delete the words "and his family" in paragraph 3.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

P Ezechiel

for Crown Agents.

~~RECEIVED~~
5.30 p.m
21 OCT 1907
INDIA OFFICE.

The Under Secretary of State
&c. &c. &c.
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PASSAGES—"ENTITLED"—WARRANT OFFICERS.

Sailing Orders.

Any further communication on this subject should quote the number in the right-hand corner of this letter, and be addressed to—

The Under Secretary of State for India
India Office
Whitehall
S.W.

Military Department.

INDIA OFFICE,
WHITEHALL, S.W.

19 OCT. 1907

Condr. F. R. Ricketts,

1. You are informed that passages to Bombay ~~Karachi~~ will be provided for you, and for your wife and one child~~ren,~~ on board the Transport Assaye leaving Southampton on the 6 Novr. 1907.

2. You should embark by 2 o'clock p.m. on the same day, reporting yourself, in uniform, before embarking, to the Military Staff Officer superintending the embarkation of troops.

3. You should carefully fill up and sign the enclosed two copies of Form 162, and take them with you and present them to the Staff Officer on reporting yourself at the dock.

2.

4. Before leaving home you should take your wife and family to a military medical officer, if you are living near to one, or, if not, to a civil medical practitioner, and request him to inspect them and fill up the enclosed health certificate (Army Form B. 155), which you should hand to the Staff Officer. Otherwise it will be necessary for you to report yourself at the office of the Assistant Adjutant-General at the port of embarkation one day earlier. *Wives within three months of confinement are not allowed to embark.* Any travelling or other expenses in connection with your obtaining the medical certificate from either a military or a civil medical officer before leaving home will be payable by yourself.

5. Your baggage must be limited to 5½ cwts. in weight, so packed as not to exceed 27½ cubic feet in measurement.† Each package must be rectangular, and must be distinctly marked in paint with your rank and name.

6. You should acknowledge the receipt of this letter by return of post. You should also apply to the Accountant-General of this Office for your final pay and Last-pay Certificate.

(Sd) O. M. CREAGH.
~~Lt~~ General,
Military Secretary.

49 Little Britain
E.C.

N.B.—Any application with regard to *pay* should be addressed to the *Accountant-General* of this Office.

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† No package must exceed 30 cubic feet in measurement.

(Form 155.*)
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TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE
CROWN AGENTS FOR THE COLONIES,
THE ABOVE REFERENCE AND THE
DATE OF THIS LETTER BEING QUOTED.
TEL. ADD. "CROWN, LONDON."

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WHITEHALL GARDENS,
LONDON, S.W.

16th October 1907

Sir,

We have been informed by the Secretary of State for the Colonies that it has been suggested to you that from the 1st of November onwards the salary of Mr F.R.R. Ricketts of the Indian Supply and Transport Corps who is returning to India on the 6th of November next should be issued by the Government of India and recovered from us.

2. Mr Ricketts has been furnished with a Last Pay Certificate showing that he will receive salary from us at the rate of Rs 180 a month at s d 1/5 the rupee up to the 31st of October and I have to request that you will arrange with the Government of India to issue to him salary at this rate from the 1st of November up to and including the day before his arrival in India by the Transport "Assaye".

3. The cost of the passages of Mr Ricketts ~~and his~~ f~~amily~~ to India will be paid by us on receiving a claim from you.

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17 OCT 1907
INDIA OFFICE

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant

P. Ezechiel
for Crown Agents

The Under Secretary of State
&c &c &c
India Office

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DRAFT LETTER to—

The U.S. of S.,
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~~Return to Mr. Phillips.~~

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~~Reminder on~~

Examined in Registry H.

INDIA OFFICE,

11 OCT. 1907

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 4 Oct. 07, No. 34438/1907, I am directed to inform you that the Govt. of India will be asked to issue pay to Condr. Ricketts at Indian rates, from ~~18 Septr. 07~~ 1st Novr. up to the day preceding his arrival in India, and to charge the amount in the Account Current for recovery from the Crown Agents.

The cost of passage will also be recovered from the Crown Agents in due course.

(SD) O M CREAGH,
Lieut. General,
Military Secretary.

OMC
10.10.07

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Noted........................

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Reference Paper. **Military Department.**

Referred to The Accountant General. The 7 Oct. 1907.

Will the Accountant-General please state whether the arrangement proposed in the annexed letter regarding Condr. Ricketts' pay can be carried out?

O'M Creagh

The Indian Authorities should be instructed to pay Conductor Ricketts from the 1st November and to charge the amount up to the day preceding arrival in India in the Account current for recovery from the Crown Agents.

Scott

9th October 1907.

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Mr Phibbs 30/9

Communications on this subject should be addressed to—

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
London, S.W.,
and the following Number quoted. 34438/1907.

Downing Street,
4th October, 1907.

Sir,

I am directed by the Earl of Elgin to acknowledge the receipt of your letter (M/12599) of the 27th of September, informing him that arrangements can be made for the return passages of Conductor F.R.R.Rickitts and his family in the transport "Assaye" sailing on the 6th of November.

2. The Crown Agents for the Colonies will be authorized to repay the cost of Mr.Rickett's passage on receiving a claim from the India Office, and to issue salary to him at his Indian rate from the 18th of September up to and including the day before his arrival in India.

3. I am to suggest for Mr.Morley's consideration that the most convenient arrangement would probably be for Mr.Rickett's salary from the 1st of November onwards to be paid by the Government of India, and recovered from the Crown Agents together with the cost of the passage.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

R. L. Antrobus

RECEIVED
10 a.m.
5 OCT 1907
INDIA OFFICE.

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,

INDIA OFFICE.

E&R. 49 Little Britain E.C. (21)

30th Septr

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O Mr Ribbs 3/10

To
The Under Sec: of State
India Office

In compliance with your P.M. 12599 I beg to state that passage for myself wife & one child (female) 4 yrs: in ~~the~~ Transport sailing 6th December would be most acceptable; one child male 15 years will not now require a passage —

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10 a.m.
30 SEP 1907
INDIA OFFICE.

F.H.A. Ricketts
Cond.
Supply & Transport Corps

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49 Little Britain, E.C.
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12599 Mr Phelps 28/9 7.

To,
The Under Sec. of State
India Office

With reference to your No M. 12651. I regret being unable to furnish a copy of the Medical Board which invalided my family; they were granted the entitled passage in the Northbrooke.

J. H. R. Ricketts Cond.
S. & T. Corps

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INDIA OFFICE,

27 SEP. 1907

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 13 Septr. 07. No. 32488/1907. I am directed to inform you that it has now been found impracticable to arrange passages for Condr. F. R. R. Ricketts, S.T.C., and his family in the Transport 'Plassy,' sailing on 2nd Oct. 07. but arrangements can definitely be made for their embarkation on the 'Assaye' sailing for Bombay on 6th Novr.

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pay of Condr. Ricketts is Rs. 180 per mensem, converted at the rate of 1/5 the Rupee.

As stated in this Office letter of 10 Septr. 04 M 12143, the cost of Condr. Ricketts' passage will be about £15.

(S'D) O.M.CREAGH,
Lieut. General,
Military Secretary.

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26.8.07

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DRAFT LETTER to—

Condr. F. R. R. Ricketts,
29 Malvern Rd.
Southsea.

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Return to Mr. Phibbs.

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INDIA OFFICE,

24 SEP. 1907

Condr. F. R. R. Ricketts,

~~In reply to your letter of the~~

I am directed to inform you that it has been found impossible to provide your family with passages on the Plassey sailing on 2nd Oct. 07, and the sailing orders sent to you on 13 Septr. are accordingly cancelled.

There will be room for you without your family on the Plassey ~~on that boat~~ if you ~~prefer~~ are willing to sail then, but should you prefer not ~~desire~~ to proceed alone, passages could be provided on 18 Oct.

Condr. Whittaker's papers have come in & he has been nearly 2 years out of India. Consequently he must sail on 2 Oct.

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Oct. in a Transport sailing for Karachi or on 6 Novr in a Bombay Transport.

You are requested to state at an early date which course you prefer.

J.H.S.
24/9

(Sd) J. H. SEABROOKE.
Asst. Military Secretary.

Ans

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Mr Phibbs 11/9.
12651

Communications on this subject should be addressed to—

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
London, S.W.,

and the following Number quoted. 32488/1907.

Downing Street,

13 September, 1907.

Sir,

I am directed by the Earl of Elgin to acknowledge the receipt of your letter (No.M.12143) of the 10th of September, and to enclose a copy of the letter sent to Conductor F.R.R.Ricketts, Supply and Transport Corps, on the subject of the passages of himself and his family to India.

C.O. to Mr.Ricketts.
13 September, 1907.

2. If it can be arranged that Mr.Ricketts should sail in the Transport "Plassy" on the 2nd of October, you will no doubt apply in due course to the Crown Agents for the refund of the cost of his passage.

3. I am to request that you will state what is the Indian rate of pay of Conductor Ricketts.

I am,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

R. L. Antrobus

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13 SEP 1907
INDIA OFFICE.

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE
INDIA OFFICE.

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Downing Street,

13 September, 1907.

Sir,

I am directed by the Earl of Elgin to inform you, with reference to the letter from this Department of the 29th of August, that a letter has been received from the India Office, stating that passages will, if possible, be provided for you and your family in the Transport "Plassy" sailing on the 2nd of October.

2. Definite information on this point will no doubt be sent to you in due course from the India Office.

3. Assuming that you will sail on the 2nd of October. Lord Elgin approves of your receiving pay at your Indian rate from the 18th of September (the day after that on which your full pay vacation leave expires) up to and including the day before that of your arrival in India; and the Crown Agents for the Colonies will be instructed to pay you accordingly.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed) R. L. ANTROBUS.

F.R.R.RICKETTS, ESQ.

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DRAFT LETTER to—

Condr. J. R. A. Ricketts,
29 Malvern Rd.
Southsea.

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Return to Mr. Phibbs.

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INDIA OFFICE,

19 SEP. 1907

Condr. J. R. A. Ricketts,

In reply to your letter of the 14 Septr. 07, I am directed to inform you that you should forward a copy of the proceedings of the Medical Board which invalided your family to this country. The records in this Dept. show that not-entitled passages from India were sanctioned for them during the season 1906-07.

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(Sd) J. H. SEABROOKE,
Asst. Military Secretary.

J. H. S.
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29 Malvern Road
Southsea.
14th Septr. 07.

To
The Under Sec. of State for
India. Whitehall.
S. W.

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Mr Phibbs 11/9

Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your M 12143 & respectfully mention that my wife & children were specially invalided for six months, an invalid child is remaining at Home, & to solicit "Entitled" passage be granted them.

I am,
Sir,

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Your most Obedient Servt:

H R Ricketts Condr

Supply & Transport Corps

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PASSAGES—"ENTITLED"—WARRANT OFFICERS.

Sailing Orders.

Any further communication on this subject should quote the number in the right-hand corner of this letter, and be addressed to—

The Under Secretary of State for India
India Office
Whitehall
Military Department. S.W.

INDIA OFFICE,
WHITEHALL, S.W.

13 SEP. 1907

Condr. J. R. R. Ricketts

1. You are informed that passages to Bombay ~~Karachi~~ will be provided for you, and for your wife and two children, on board the Transport Plassy leaving Southampton on the 2 Oct. 1907.

2. You should embark by 2 o'clock p.m. on the same day, reporting yourself, in uniform, before embarking, to the Military Staff Officer superintending the embarkation of troops.

3. You should carefully fill up and sign the enclosed two copies of Form 162, and take them with you and present them to the Staff Officer on reporting yourself at the dock.

2.

4. Before leaving home you should take your wife and family to a military medical officer, if you are living near to one, or, if not, to a civil medical practitioner, and request him to inspect them and fill up the enclosed health certificate (Army Form B. 155), which you should hand to the Staff Officer. Otherwise it will be necessary for you to report yourself at the office of the Assistant Adjutant-General at the port of embarkation one day earlier. *Wives within three months of confinement are not allowed to embark.* Any travelling or other expenses in connection with your obtaining the medical certificate from either a military or a civil medical officer before leaving home will be payable by yourself.

5. Your baggage must be limited to 6 cwts. in weight, so packed as not to exceed 30 cubic feet in measurement.† Each package must be rectangular, and must be distinctly marked in paint with your rank and name.

6. You should acknowledge the receipt of this letter by return of post. You should also apply to the Accountant-General of this Office for your final pay and Last-pay Certificate.

† Your wife & children will be charged for messing as for Indulgence Passengers

49 Little Britain
E.C.

(Sd) J. H. SEABROOKE.
Asst. Military Secretary.
General,
Military Secretary.

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N.B.—Any application with regard to *pay* should be addressed to the *Accountant-General* of this Office.

† No package must exceed 30 cubic feet in measurement.

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The U.S. of S.,
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INDIA OFFICE,

10 SEP. 1907

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 6 Septr. 07 No. 31747/07, I am directed to inform you that passages will, if possible, be provided for Conductor J. R. R. Ricketts, S.T.C., and his family in the Transport 'Plassey' sailing on 2 Oct. 07.

The cost of Conductor Ricketts' passage will be about £15.

(Sd) J. H. SEABROOKE.
Asst. Military Secretary.

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(Form 10.)

692. I. 890. 10,000.—5/1907.

Communications on this subject should be addressed to—

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
COLONIAL OFFICE,
LONDON, S.W.,
and the following Number quoted. 31747/1907.

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Mr Hadley

Downing Street,

6 September, 1907.

Sir,

I am directed by the Earl of Elgin to acknowledge the receipt of your letter (No.M.11956) of the 4th instant relative to the return of Conductor F.R.R. Ricketts, Supply and Transport Corps, to India.

2. It is understood from Mr. Ricketts that his wife and family are returning to India at the present time and that passages are being provided for them by your Department in the hired transport "Plassy" leaving Southampton on the 2nd of October. I am accordingly to enquire whether it could be arranged that Conductor Ricketts could sail with them in that transport. It is understood that, in the event of its being possible to arrange this, the only expenses in connection with Mr. Ricketts's passage which would have to be defrayed from Northern Nigeria funds would be his board expenses during the voyage, estimated at s.d. 6/6 a day; but Lord Elgin would be glad of definite information on that point.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

C. P. Lucas

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
INDIA OFFICE.

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To,
The U Sec. of State for
India

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Sir,

With reference to your M. 11956 of 4th inst. I beg to solicit the favour of passage to Bombay for myself wife & 2 Children Boy 15 years & girl 4, a

girl 13 years who
was invalided from
India 6 months ago
is remaining at
Home

I am,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servt.
F K H Riadetts

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EXTRACT

MILITARY DESPATCH TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

No. 156 para. 7

Dated 20th Sept. 1907.

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7. I forward copy of correspondence† regarding the return to India of Conductor F. R. R. Ricketts, Supply and Transport Corps, lately employed as an Assistant Transport Officer in Northern Nigeria.

M 11,956.

† To Colonial Office, dated 20th July 1907, and enclosure.
From ditto, dated 29th August 1907, and enclosure.
To Conductor Ricketts, dated 4th September 1907.

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INDIA OFFICE,

4 SEP. 1907

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 29th August, No. 27478 I am directed to inform you that Conductor F. R. R. Ricketts, Supply and Transport Corps, appeared before the Medical Board at this Office on the 3rd September and was found fit for duty in India. I am to request that the date on which this warrant officer embarks for India may be communicated to this Department.

OMC
4.9.07

(Sd) O M CREAGH,
Lieut. General,
Military Secretary.

Draft of para below.

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DRAFT LETTER to—

Conductor J. R. R. Ricketts,
49 Little Britain
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INDIA OFFICE,

4 SEP. 1907

Conductor J. R. R. Ricketts,

In reply to your letter of the 31st August I am directed to inform you that the Medical Board which examined you at this Office on the 3rd September has reported that you are fit for duty in India. You should therefore arrange to embark for that country in accordance with the instructions conveyed to you in Colonial Office letter, No. 27478, dated 29th August 1907.

Para. below

(S'D) O M CREAGH,
Lieut, General,
Military Secretary.

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(Form 10.)

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COLONIAL OFFICE

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Mr Headlam

India Office

Our letter to you of 29 August answering yours of 20th of July (No M. 9349) about Mr Ricketts who is going back to India after service in Northern Nigeria.

Could we have an answer as soon as convenient? I understand from the Crown Agents that the boats for India are

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very full at present, so that we should like to give them the longest notice possible about Mr. Ricketts' passage.

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MEDICAL BOARD,

INDIA OFFICE,
3rd September 1907.

We have carefully examined Conductor F. R. R. Ricketts, S & T.

and find that he ~~has sufficiently recovered~~ is in a fit state of health to return to India.

We therefore recommend that he be permitted to return to his duty.

A M Branfoot
Surgeon-General.

E L Bovill
Lieutenant-Colonel, I.M.S.

(FORM 117B.)

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49 Little Britain
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31st August 07

To,
The U. Sec. of State
India Office

Sir

I propose attending the Medical Board on Tuesday as desired in a letter (No. 27478/1907) from the Colonial office.

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2 SEP 1907
INDIA OFFICE.

I am
Sir
Your most Obedient Servt.

CR. wth 3rd. c

Ack

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Mr. Headley
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Communications on this subject
should be addressed to—

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
London, S.W.,

and the following Number quoted. 27478/1907

Downing Street,

29 August, 1907.

Sir,

I am directed by the Earl of Elgin to acknowledge the receipt of your letter (No.M.9349) of the 20th of July relating to Conductor F.R.R.Ricketts who has been lent by the Government of India for temporary service in the Transport Department of Northern Nigeria.

2. On the receipt of your letter Mr.Ricketts was asked whether he would be prepared to extend his period of service in Northern Nigeria if the consent of all the parties concerned was obtained. He has replied in the negative and in these circumstances the letter of which a copy is enclosed, has been addressed to him.

C.O. to Mr.Ricketts
29 Aug.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

C. P. Lucas

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THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE

INDIA OFFICE.

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Downing Street,
29 August, 1907.

Sir,

I am directed by the Earl of Elgin to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st of August in which you state that you do not desire to return to Northern Nigeria for further service there.

2. In these circumstances your Northern Nigeria appointment will terminate after the 17th of September when your vacation leave is due to expire, and after which date your full Northern Nigeria pay will cease. You received pay at your Indian rate, from Northern Nigeria funds, from the 14th of May 1904, when you left India, to the day preceding that of your arrival in Northern Nigeria, and you will be allowed pay at the same rate, from Northern Nigeria funds, from the 18th of September inclusive up to the day preceding that of your arrival in India provided that you sail for India by the first available steamer after the 17th of September. You will also be granted a first-class return passage to India from Northern Nigeria funds.

3. It is to be understood that the arrangements mentioned in the preceding paragraph are subject to the concurrence of the Secretary of State for India in Council to whom a copy of this letter is being sent.

4. It is also desired that you should attend at the

F.R.R.RICKETTS,ESQ.

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the India Office for examination by the Medical Board on any Tuesday, and that you should report to the India Office previously the day on which you propose to attend.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Sd) C P Lucas

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INDIA OFFICE,

26 AUG. 1907

Sir,

~~In reply to your letter of the~~

I am directed to ~~inform you that~~ enquire whether a reply may be shortly expected to Sir Edward Stedman's letter of the 20th July, No. M. 9349, regarding Conductor F. R. R. Ricketts, Supply and Transport Corps.

OMD
26.8.07

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(S'D) O'M CREAGH,
Lieut. General,
Military Secretary.

Rbs
24.8.07

(Form 10.)

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44 Victoria Rd.
Co, Southend
23 August 07.

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To, The Under Sec. of State
India Office

Sir,

With reference to my application submitted 18th July; I beg to solicit the favour of instructions asked for to enable me to make necessary family arrangements as less than a month of my

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I am,

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

H. H. Hackett [illegible] de.

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

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INDIA OFFICE,

20 JUL. 1907

Sir with reference to Colonial office letter of the 23rd March 1904 No. 4334 I am directed to ~~acknowledge the receipt of your letter~~ ~~of the~~ forward copy of a ~~and to inform you in reply that~~ letter from Conductor J. R. R. Ricketts, Supply and Transport Corps, employed as Assistant Transport Officer, Northern Nigeria and to enquire the date when it is desired that this warrant officer should revert to the Indian Establishment.

I am also to request that he may be directed to attend at this Office on any Tuesday for examination by the Medical Board. He should report the date on which he proposes to attend.

(Sd) E. STEDMAN,
General,
Military Secretary.

d. 18th July 1907

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Coll 386/17

49 Little Britain,
London, E. C.

18th July '07

To
The ~~Under~~ Secretary of State,
India Office

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INDIA OFFICE.

Sir,
Having completed the period of service in N. Nigeria under the Colonial Govt for which I was seconded by the Govt of India as an Asst. Transport Officer I should be

S.J.

be glad of further instructions

I am,

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

F H R Ricketts Condr

Supply & Transport Corps

Ed H.

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EXTRACT PARA. 5 OF AN ARMY DESPATCH FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, No. 106, DATED 27TH DECEMBER 1906.

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5. We have sanctioned the grant of not-entitled passages by troopship to England for the wife and three children of Conductor F. R. R. Ricketts, Supply and Transport Corps, who is at present serving under the Imperial Government as Assistant Transport Officer in Northern Nigeria. Correspondence on the subject is enclosed.

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This might go with Pp. in 1904. S.

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We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient, humble Servants,

(Signed) MINTO.

" KITCHENER.

" DENZIL IBBETSON.

" H. ERLE RICHARDS.

" J. P. HEWETT.

" E. N. BAKER.

" H. ADAMSON.

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INDIA OFFICE

Extract para. 5 of an Army despatch to His Majesty's Secretary of State for India, No. 106, dated the 27th December 1906.

5. Grant of not-entitled passages to England for the wife and three children of Conductor F. R. R. Ricketts, Supply and Transport Corps.

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Enclosures to paragraph 5 of general despatch No. 106, dated the 27th December 1906.

Enclosure No. 1.

No. 3075-A, $\frac{\text{Transport}}{\text{Sea}}$, dated Calcutta, 5th December 1906.

From—The Quartermaster-General in India,
To—The Secretary to the Government of India, Army Department.

I am directed by the Commander-in-Chief to submit for the favourable consideration of the Government of India, the marginally noted correspondence * regarding the grant of free passage to England for the wife and family of Conductor F. R. Ricketts, Supply and Transport Corps, who is at present employed under the Imperial Government as Assistant Transport Officer in Northern Nigeria.

* Lahore Divison No. 1019-W, dated 21st August 1906, and annexures.

2. The grant of free passage being inadmissible under existing regulations, His Excellency recommends that sanction may be accorded to the grant of not-entitled passages to the family in question in one of the hired transports proceeding to England during the current trooping season.

Memorandum No. 1019-W, $\frac{\text{Transport}}{\text{Sea}}$, dated Dalhousie, 21st August 1906.

From—The General Officer Commanding, 3rd (Lahore) Division,
To—The Quartermaster-General in India.

With reference to the marginally noted correspondence† which I forward for favour of consideration, for the grant of a free passage to England, for the wife and 3 children (1 boy 14 years, 2 girls 11 years and $2\frac{10}{12}$ years) of Conductor F. R. R. Ricketts, Supply and Transport Corps, who is at present employed in Northern Nigeria, under the Imperial Government as Assistant Transport Officer, the grant of free passage not being covered by Regulations.

† Copy of a letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, to the Director-General of Supply and Transport, No. 2243-D, dated 25th April 1904.

(*ii*) Copy of letter from Conductor F. R. R. Ricketts, to the Transport Adjutant, Ambala, dated 28th May 1906.

2. Conductor Ricketts proceeded to England in 1904 to report himself to the Colonial Office, leaving his wife and family out of India. Military Department letter No. 2243-D, dated 25th April 1904, gives the conditions under which Conductor Ricketts took up the employment in England. From this it would appear that paragraph 1 (*iii*) does not preclude him from obtaining a free passage for his wife and family to England.

No. 2243-D, dated 25th April 1904.

From—The Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department,
To—The Director-General of Supply and Transport.

I am directed to forward a copy of a letter‡ from the Military Secretary to the India Office and its enclosures, and to say that the Government of India approve of the selection of Sub-Conductor F. R. R. Ricketts, Supply and Transport Corps, for appointment as an Assistant Transport Officer in Northern Nigeria on the following terms:—

‡ No. 3978-M, dated 25th March 1904.

(*i*) he will receive salary at the rate of £250 a year rising by annual increments of £10 to £310 a year, with a local allowance of 5 shillings a day;

(*ii*) his services will, in the first instance, be required for a period of 3 years (which will, in the ordinary course, include two tours of service in Africa and two periods of leave), and he will be subject to the conditions of service laid down for civil servants serving in Northern Nigeria, a copy of which was sent with Military Department No. 5399-D, dated 30th September 1903;

(*iii*) if he is a married man and wishes to take his wife and family to Nigeria, he must make his own arrangements for doing so;

(*iv*) he will, whilst serving in the transport service of Northern Nigeria, continue to be borne on the rolls of the Supply and Transport Corps in India, and will be eligible for promotion in ordinary course in that corps.

8. I am to request that Sub-Conductor Ricketts be directed to proceed to England at once and to report himself at the Colonial Office, London. The date of his embarkation should be reported to the Government of India.

Memorandum No. 1058-T, *British Personnel*, dated Rawal Pindi, 28th February 1906.

From—BRIGADIER-GENERAL A. A. BARRETT, C.B., Deputy Adjutant-General, Northern Command,

To—The General Officer Commanding, 3rd (Lahore) Division.

Forwarded for information with reference to this office telegram No. 1032-T, dated 28th February 1906.

Dated Zaria Province, Northern Nigeria, 28th May 1906.

From—CONDUCTOR F. R. R. RICKETTS, Supply and Transport Corps,

To—The Transport Adjutant, Ambala.

With reference to your No. T-1340, dated 21st March 1906, and your docket No. T-987 to Mrs. Ricketts forwarding copy of letter No. 2245-D, dated 25th April 1904, from the Secretary to the Government of India, to the Director-General of Supply and Transport.

I beg to inform you, my first period of three years will expire 14th May 1907, and having been asked to extend for a further period with this Government, I beg to solicit passages for my family to England, to enable me to see them settled at home during my leave (4 months after 12 months in Northern Nigeria), otherwise I would have no opportunity of seeing them for over 6 years.

It is quite beyond my means to bring them to this country if I wish to do so, which I do not, as the climate is most unhealthy and there is no accommodation for families.

I would like to be informed if by accepting this appointment (there is no status attached) I am debarred the privilege of passages home for my family, especially in the event of ill-health.

The local allowance has been reduced to four shillings a day from the 1st April 1906 and will probably be further reduced; this is a breach of the accepted conditions of service, an objection has been made.

Enclosure No. 2.

No. 1164-C, $\frac{\text{Transport}}{\text{Warrant Officers}}$, dated Fort William, 11th December 1906.

From—MAJOR F. A. HOGHTON, Officiating Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, ARMY DEPARTMENT,

To—The Quartermaster-General in India.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 3075-A, dated the 5th December 1906, recommending the grant of not-entitled passages to England by hired transport during the current trooping season for the wife and three children of Conductor F. R. R. Ricketts, Supply and Transport Corps, who is at present employed under the Imperial Government as Assistant Transport Officer in Northern Nigeria.

2. In reply, I am to say that the Government of India sanction the grant of not-entitled passages, on the understanding that Mrs. Ricketts pays the usual messing charges, that accommodation is available and that no one having a prior claim is deprived of a passage in consequence.

3. Mrs. Ricketts might advantageously be informed that the actual allotment of berths at the last moment and permission to embark, rest with the General Officer Commanding $\frac{\text{Bombay}}{\text{Karachi}}$ Brigade, as the case may be, in whom is vested the power of discriminating between the claims of candidates for passage in whose cases general and conditional sanction has been accorded by Government.

Extract from the list of enclosures of Miscellaneous despatch to His Majesty's Secretary of State for India, No. 106, dated the 27th December 1906.

(Enclosures to para. 5.)

Serial No.	Number and date of paper.	From whom or to whom.	Subject.
		Enclosures to para. 5.	
1	No. 3075-A, dated 5th December 1906, and enclosures.	From Quartermaster-General in India.	Recommendation for the grant of not-entitled passages by troopship to England for the wife and three children of Conductor F. R. R. Ricketts, Supply and Transport Corps.
2	No. 1164-C, dated 11th December 1906.	To ditto ...	Sanctioning the grant of passages.

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Return to Mr. ________ *Copy for* ________

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DRAFT LETTER PAPER.

Addressed to The U.S. of S.,
C.O.

India Office,
19 MAY 1904

Reminder in weeks.

Noted for

d. 17 May

With reference to your letter of 23 March 04, No. 4334/04, & in continuation of my letter dated 26 April 04, No. M 5427,

I am directed to ~~acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the~~ forward, for Mr. Secretary ~~and to inform you in reply that~~ Lyttelton's information, a copy of a telegram from the Viceroy of India stating the date of embarkation of Sub Condr. Ricketts.

(Sd) F. WHITMORE SMITH,
Asst. Military Secretary.

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(Form 10)

13560. I. 2058. 5000.—10/1903.

Departments are requested, if they suspect that there is any mistake in this telegram, to communicate immediately *with the Private Secretary to the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State.*

COPY OF TELEGRAM

Mr Phillips

M
6516
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FROM

Viceroy

PP.

~~5427~~

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DATED 17 May 1904

RECEIVED AT LONDON OFFICE 3.26 P.M.

Our telegram dated 23rd April. Sub-conductor Ricketts, Supply & Transport Corps, embarked on the 14th May for England direct.

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DRAFT LETTER PAPER.

Addressed to

The U.S. of S.
Colonial Office

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INDIA OFFICE,

26 APL. 1904

SIR, With reference to your letter of the 23 March '04, No. 4334/1904,

I am directed to forward herewith, for the information of Mr. Secretary Lyttleton, a copy of a telegram, dated 23 April '04, which has been received from the Viceroy of India regarding the selection of Sub Condr. F. R. R. Ricketts, S.T.C., Bengal, for the appointment of Assistant Transport Officer, Northern Nigeria.

(S'D) E. STEDMAN,
Lieut.-General,
Military Secretary.

2727

(Form 12.)

10860. I. 2524. 500.—12/1901.

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Departments are requested, if they suspect that there is any mistake in this telegram, to communicate immediately *with the Private Secretary to the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State.*

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COPY OF TELEGRAM

FROM

Viceroy

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DATED Simla. 23rd April: 04

RECEIVED AT LONDON OFFICE 4.10 pm.

Your Military Secretary's letter, No. 3978, M, 25th March last. Sub Conductor Ricketts, Supply and Transport Corps, has been selected. Orders given to proceed as soon as possible. Baldwin not recommended.

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THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY.

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MILITARY DESPATCH TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

No. 59 para. 11

Dated 15 April 1904

11. I forward a copy of a letter* from the Colonial Office asking that a warrant officer may be selected for appointment as Assistant Transport Officer in Northern Nigeria. I request that the action taken by your Government may be reported by telegram.

M 3978.

* Dated 23rd March 1904.

(Sent in advance by mail of 25th March 1904.)

(Form 5.)

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Return to Mr.

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DRAFT LETTER PAPER.

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Addressed to—

The Secretary to the Government of India,
Military Department.

INDIA OFFICE,

25 MAR. 1904

DEAR SIR,

I forward herewith a copy of a paragraph regarding the appointment of an Assistant Transport Officer in N. Nigeria which will be included in a Military Despatch shortly to be sent to the Viceroy.

Yours truly,

(Sd) E. STEDMAN,
Lieut.-General,
Military Secretary.

Major-General,
Military Secretary.

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Addressed to The U.S. of S.,
C.O.

INDIA OFFICE,

25 MAR. 1904

Reminder in *weeks.*

Noted for

3 drafts.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23 March 04, No. 4334/1904, and to inform you in reply that the Govt. of I. are being asked to fill the appointment of Assistant Transport Officer in N. Nigeria and to report by telegraph the action taken in the matter.

(Sd) E. STEDMAN,
Lieut.-General,
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THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
COLONIAL OFFICE,
LONDON, S.W.,

and the following Number quoted. 4334/1904.

Downing Street,

23 March, 1904.

Sir,

I am directed by Mr Secretary Lyttelton to state, for the information of Mr Secretary Brodrick, that it is proposed to appoint an additional officer to the Transport Department of Northern Nigeria from the 1st of April next.

2. The appointment, the title of which is that of Assistant Transport Officer, is offered on conditions similar to those accepted by Conductor C. Carrigan of the Indian Supply and Transport Corps, as laid down in the letter from this Office of the 13th of August last with salary at the rate of two hundred and fifty pounds a year rising by annual increments of ten pounds to three hundred and ten pounds a year, and a local allowance of five shillings a day.

£250
£10
£310
5/-

3. I am to suggest, if the Secretary of State for India has no objection, that the appointment may be offered to Sergeant Major F.W.H. Baldwin of the Indian Supply and Transport Corps and that if his services can be spared, and he is prepared to accept the appointment, he may be instructed to embark for this country without delay. If the services of Sergeant Major Baldwin should not be available, Mr Lyttelton would be glad if the

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The Under Secretary of State,
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Government of India would recommend another officer of the same Department to fill the vacant post.

4. I am also to ask that the Government of India may be requested to state by telegraph the action which they have taken in the matter.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

R. L. Antrobus

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We certify to have carefully examined

and find that he has recovered his health and is fit for duty.

We therefore recommend that he may be permitted to return to his duty.

_______________ *Surgeon-Major-General.*

_______________ *Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel.*

_______________ *, A. M. S.*

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